

PATENT APPLICATION  
**Reply Under 37 CFR 1.116**  
**- Expedited Procedure -**  
Technology Center 2629  
Atty. Docket: NL040617 [MS-433]

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application : 10/596,647  
Applicants : Peter Dirksen et al.  
Filed : 06/20/2006  
Confirmation : 8794  
T.C./Art Unit : 1795  
Examiner : Chea, Thorl  
Atty. Docket : NL040617 [MS-433]  
Title: **REMOVABLE PELLICLE FOR IMMERSION LITHOGRAPHY**

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office action of 25 May 2010, please amend the above referenced application as follows and/or reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.

**This paper includes** (each beginning on a separate sheet):

- 1. Amendments and/or listing of the claims;**
- 2. Remarks / Discussion of issues;**